## Hampton Roads Chief Administrative Officers (CAO) Meeting

## WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2022 11:30 AM

Bloom Co-Working Space 739 High Street Portsmouth, VA 23704

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of Agenda
- III. Approval of Minutes (Attachment 3)

The Summary Minutes from the August 3, 2022 CAO Committee meeting are attached for the Committee's consideration and approval.

#### **IV.** Public Comment

Members of the public will be provided an opportunity to address the CAO Committee. Comments should be limited to three minutes per speaker.

# V. Hampton Roads Interoperability System - Discussion of Governance and Regional Maintenance Approach

During the July and August CAO Committee meetings, extensive discussion occurred regarding the region's interoperability system, the current Overlay Regional InterOperability (ORION) system and the advantages and disadvantages of proceeding with a transition to the Hampton Roads – Integrated Regional Interoperable System (HR-IRIS).

Following these discussions, the CAO Committee asked the All Hazards Advisory Committee (AHAC) to utilize available grant monies to research and provide additional technical information that will assist the CAO Committee in arriving at a consensus decision on how to proceed. The additional information requested by the CAOs will be developed by the end of the calendar year.

During the Committee's discussion on this item, it became apparent that two foundational issues must be addressed regardless of the communications system that the region selects. These issues relate to governance of the selected system and how the system will be maintained. At the August CAO meeting, the CAOs agreed that these

two items should be separated from the technical discussion and placed on the September CAO Committee agenda for discussion.

The Executive Director will provide an overview presentation on the governance and maintenance issues, present options for addressing each topic area and request direction on how to proceed.

### VI. Regional Legislative Agenda

For the past six years, the HRPDC and HRTPO have adopted a regional legislative agenda to convey to the General Assembly and Federal Delegation issues of regional significance that should be addressed on behalf of Hampton Roads. This regional legislative agenda is typically approved by the Commission and HRTPO Board at their October/November meetings to allow these regional legislative priorities to be shared with Hampton Roads Caucus members before the start of the General Assembly session in January.

Last year, a Joint HRPDC and HRTPO Regional Legislative Committee was formed to develop recommendations for a regional legislative agenda to be considered by the Commission and HRTPO Board. The current membership of this Hampton Roads Regional Legislative Committee is as follows:

Andria McClellan, Norfolk
Mayor Donnie Tuck, Hampton
David H. Jenkins, Newport News
William McCarty, Isle of Wight
Mary Bunting, Hampton
Chris Price, Chesapeake
HRPDC Chair
HRPDC Vice-Chair
HRPDC Chair
CAO Committee Chair
CAO Committee Vice-Chair

The Regional Legislative Committee met August 29th with several local legislative liaisons and discussed potential regional legislative items for consideration. These regional legislative priorities include position statements around the following topics:

- Full funding for the I-64 Gap
- Elizabeth River Crossings Toll Agreement
- Enhanced Passenger Rail Service from Hampton Roads to the I-95 corridor
- BoAT Trail Funding/Capital Trail Extension
- Public Safety
- Resiliency/Flooding structure for State coordination
- Dedicated State/Federal funding source for flooding/resiliency
- State support for Jeff Lab
- Support for Offshore Wind
- Economic Development Site Readiness

The process for moving the Regional Legislative Agenda forward for endorsement and approval by the region is as follows:

September 6: Discussion by the CAO Committee

September 22: Mayor/CAO Roundtable on Violence Prevention

October 13: Community Advisory Committee October 20: HRPDC/HRTPO Board Approval

The Executive Director will summarize the discussion that occurred at the Regional Legislative Committee meeting including recommendations related to the above-listed topic areas. The CAO Committee will be asked to provide input on these topics.

- VII. Items of Regional Interest
- **VIII. Other Business**
- IX. Adjournment